

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 431
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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Nassrin El-Gosi, 2003
Salutatorian of Glencliff High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Nassrin El-Gosi is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2003 graduating class at Glencliff High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. El-Gosi has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; in so doing, she has overcome great odds and evinced her indomitable and resolute spirit, as she emigrated from Sudan two and a half years ago; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Nassrin El-Gosi has earned an exemplary grade point average and has been honored with Outstanding Achievement Awards in Chemistry, United States History, Art I, Art II, and Writing; and

WHEREAS, an extremely talented and well-rounded young woman, Ms. El-Gosi has served as the Vice President of the Business Professionals of America Club, as the Vice

President of the National Honor Society, and as a Member of the National Art Honor Society;
and

WHEREAS, committed to improving the quality of life of her fellow citizens, Nassrin El-Gosi volunteers at World Relief, where she has taught English and provided various services to refugees as they adjust to life in the United States; drawing upon her own assimilation experiences, she provides caring and compassionate support to these struggling families and individuals; and

WHEREAS, despite her demanding class load and extracurricular involvement, Ms. El-Gosi has still made time to maintain part-time employment; she has worked at McDonald's, as a housekeeper, and with Mat-Co Business Forms; and

WHEREAS, Ms. El-Gosi's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Nassrin El-Gosi's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; it is of particular tribute to the memory of her father, who passed away just a few years ago; and

WHEREAS, Ms. El-Gosi's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 Glenclyff High School Salutatorian, Nassrin El-Gosi, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.